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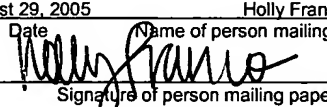
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:	§	
Philip J. Scarpace and	§	<b>Confirmation No.: 5010</b>
Gang Li	§	
Serial No. 10/822,613	§	Examiner: Salvoza, M. Franco
Filed: April 12, 2004	§	Group Art Unit: 1648
For: rAAV VECTOR-BASED PRO-	§	Atty. Docket No.: 36689.26
OPIOMELANOCORTIN COMPOSITIONS	§	(formerly 4300.015400)
AND METHODS OF USE	§	

**1. AMENDMENT; 2. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 30, 2005**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendment. A response to the Official Action in the present application, dated June 30, 2005 ("the Action"), is also submitted, and the Examiner is requested to consider the remarks therein. Applicants believe that the present materials place the claims in condition for allowance, and re-examination and reconsideration is respectfully requested on this basis.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of one month to and including August 30, 2005, is included to render the amendment and response timely submitted. Should the check be omitted, or should any additional fees be deemed necessary for any reason in connection with the present submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any necessary amounts from Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order No. 36689.26.